

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of transmitting and receiving image information by a sending mobile phone having a memory and utilizing a short message service (SMS), the method comprising the steps of:

selecting an image file out of a list of one or more image files stored on the sending mobile phone;

displaying the selected image file on a display of the mobile phone;

confirming the displayed image;

accepting information about a receiving mobile phone to which the image file selected by a user is to be transmitted; ~~and~~

transmitting an SMS message having data of the image file and header information for indicating to the receiving mobile phone that the message is an image message;

receiving the transmitted SMS message having data of the image file and the header information in the receiving mobile phone having memory for storing image files;

outputting an alarm and displaying a predetermined icon for SMS message having data of the image file if the header information indicates the image message, and temporarily storing the image file in the memory; and

permanently storing the image file after assigning it a name in accordance with a receiving user request.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting the image file in a plurality of successive SMS messages if the data amount of the image file exceeds the user data amount allowed for one SMS message.

3-5. (Cancelled)